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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification beginning at page 1, line 4 as follows:

This REISSUE application of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/676,194, filed September 28, 2000, [The present invention] claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/224,107, filed Aug. 9, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part application of [and from] PCT Application No. 00/13706, filed May 17, 2000, and [from] U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/316,472, filed May 21, 1999 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,624,650), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/295,687, filed Apr. 21, 1999 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,203,542) and U.S. patent application Ser. Nos. 09/054,323 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,063,079) and 09/268,616 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,159,208), filed Apr. 2, 1998 and Mar. 15, 1999, respectively, each of which are continuation-in-parts of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/990,374, filed Dec. 15, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,109,268), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/485,219, filed on Jun. 7, 1995 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,697,281), the complete disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. [This application] <u>U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/676,194, filed September 28,</u> 2000, is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/026,851, filed Feb. 20, 1999 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,277;112), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/690,159, filed Jul. 18, 1996 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,902,272), the complete disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

The present invention is related to commonly assigned U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/181,926, filed Oct. 28, 1998, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/130,804, filed Aug. 7, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,045,532, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/058,571, filed on Apr. 10, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,142,992, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/248,763, filed Feb. 12, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,149,620, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/026,698, filed Feb. 20, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,620,155, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/074,020, filed on May 6, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,363,937,U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/010,382, filed Jan. 21, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,190,381,U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/032,375, filed Feb.

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27, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,355,032, U.S. patent application Ser. Nos. 08/977,845, filed on Nov. 25, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,210,402; 08/942,580, filed on Oct. 2, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,159,194, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/753,227, filed on Nov. 22, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,873,855, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/687,792, filed on Jul. 18, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,843,019, and PCT International Application, U.S. National Phase Ser. No. PCT/US94/05168 filed on May 10, 1994, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,697,909, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/059,681, filed on May 10, 1993, now abandoned, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 07/958,977, filed on Oct. 9, 1992 now U.S. Patent No. 5,366,443, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 07/817,575, filed on Jan. 7, 1992, now abandoned, the complete disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. The present invention is also related to commonly assigned U.S. Pat No. 5,697,882, filed Nov. 22, 1995, the complete disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.